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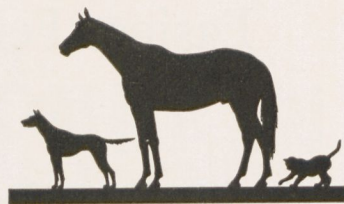
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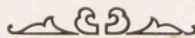
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## Yearling Show

A dozen yearling colts and nineteen yearling fillies were on hand in the center field of the Pimlico Race Course when Judge James E. Fitzsimmons called his first class into the ring on May 13. Not as many in numbers as has been the case at some former shows, the display made up in quality what it lacked in numbers. Sixteen ownerships were represented by the produce of nineteen stallions, all but three of them having stood in Maryland when the dams of the yearlings were covered. Judge Fitzsimmons had some difficulty in making his selections, and in conversation with him afterwards we suggested that he write for THE MARYLAND HORSE his impressions of the show, and this he kindly has done. The winner of the colt class is a well balanced bay colt, standing on excellent limbs and combining substance with quality, he being Major Ral Parr's son of War Hero and Bright Luna. A well grown chestnut colt that stands over a lot of ground was second for Major G. L. Stryker, he being a son of gallant old Trojan and Flip Tip. Third award went to J. W. Y. Martin's bay colt by Sting out of Regency. The silver trophy in this class was given by the Harford Agricultural and Breeders' Association, which operates the Havre de Grace racetrack.

In the second class, for fillies, it was a goodly lot of the "weaker sex" that came out

for inspection, and it took the judge, than whom no man could be more thorough in his examination of each candidate for honors, some considerable time to make his selections. First award went to the ultimate championship winner, Alfred G. Vanderbilt's brown daughter of Balko and Cherry Laurel. This is a great big rangy filly, rather on the light side and covering a lot of ground, having withal the look of quality and the excellent hind leg with which Balko stamps his get. Another big filly, one that will fill up and develop into a fine mare, was second, this being Chester F. Hockley's brown daughter of Crack Brigade and Bolauder. Another Vanderbilt entry captured third award, a brown by Flying Ebony, now in California, from Atomin. In this class the Bowie organization gave the trophy, and the championship award was donated by the Maryland Horse Breeders' Association.

## Annual Meeting

A fine turnout of members was present at Pimlico for the Annual Meeting and dinner which, through the courtesy of General Manager Matt L. Daiger, was held in the dining-room of the Old Club House on May 12th. Elsewhere in this issue we have reported Mr. Hockley's remarks at length, and in this our President told of the past year's accomplishments. Many other speeches were made and

many suggestions for the betterment of the horseman's lot were advanced. It was suggested that a small bonus be awarded to breeders of Maryland-bred winners at the half-mile tracks, a suggestion that has much merit. It was also advocated that there be a daily Maryland-bred race carded.

Chief business of the meeting was the election of a Board of Directors to attend to the Association's business in the ensuing year. A nominating committee headed by Jervis Spencer, Jr., and also having as its members Joseph F. Flanagan, Charles J. Meister, James Park and Ral Parr, had nominated fifteen prospective Directors, but voters had an opportunity to write in any additional names they wished. When the tallying of votes and proxies was concluded it was found that the following eleven men had been elected Directors:

Robert S. Castle  
 Janon Fisher, Jr.  
 Vaughn Flannery  
 Chester F. Hockley  
 Henry S. Horkheimer  
 William H. Labrot  
 Charles E. Rieman  
 Henry L. Straus  
 Goss L. Stryker  
 Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt  
 Edwin Warfield, Jr.

A standing vote of thanks for his indefatigable efforts in the Association's behalf was accorded to Mr. Hockley, who was unanimously reelected to the Presidency at the Directors' meeting immediately following the regular session. Robert S. Castle was reelected First Vice-President, and Edwin Warfield, Jr., Second Vice-President, and once again Major G. L. Stryker will fill the dual office of Secretary-Treasurer.

### Directors

At the Annual Meeting there was elected a Board of Directors that is probably the most representative of all phases of the horse industry in Maryland that the Maryland Horse Breeders' Association has yet had. To acquaint our readers with these gentlemen more fully we herewith offer thumbnail sketches of the horse interests of the new Board.

*President:* CHESTER F. HOCKLEY. Breeder of Thoroughbreds at Hydes, Baltimore County. Races small string. Hunted actively for many years with Elkridge Hounds. Business: Chemicals.

*First Vice-President:* ROBERT S. CASTLE. Thoroughbred breeder with medium sized breeding establishment at Branncastle Farm, Frederick. Races fair sized stable of horses.

*Second Vice-President:* EDWIN WARFIELD, JR. Farmer, stockman and poloist. Breeds on small scale at Woodbine, Howard County. Strong farm organization affiliations. Retiring member of State Racing Commission. Business: Publisher.

*Secretary-Treasurer:* MAJOR G. L. STRYKER. Owner-breeder-trainer of Thoroughbreds raised at Springfield Farm, Timonium. Long time hunting man. Chairman, Board of License Commissioners for Baltimore County.

JANON FISHER, JR. Past President, Maryland Horse Breeders' Association. Former M.F.H., Green Spring Hounds. Farmer, dairyman, and owner-breeder-trainer of small string of Thoroughbreds. Operates large establishment at The Caves, Eccleston, Baltimore County.

VAUGHN FLANNERY. Farmer, Thoroughbred breeder on small scale, breeder of prize Aberdeen-Angus cattle. Operates Cockade Farms, Darlington, Harford County. Business: Advertising.

HENRY S. HORKHEIMER. Partner and operator of Three Cousins Stock Farm, Hydes, Baltimore County. Thoroughbred breeder. Races moderate sized stable. Business: Wool.

WILLIAM H. LABROT. Thoroughbred breeder at Holly Beach Farm, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County. Business: Creosote.

CHARLES E. RIEMAN. Breeder of Suffolk-Punch horses. Farmer, at Summer Hill Farm, Sunnybrook, Baltimore County. Business: Banker.

HENRY L. STRAUS. Thoroughbred breeder. Races small stable. Operates Cherry Hill Farm, Reisterstown, Baltimore County. Business: Totalisator Company.

ALFRED GWYNNE VANDERBILT. Breeder-Owner. Operates large racing stable and stud farm at Sagamore Farm, Glyndon, Baltimore County.

## The Preakness

Maryland's major spring racing season closed with a bang when the result of the running of the Kentucky Derby was duplicated at Pimlico on May 15. Once more did Samuel Riddle's diminutive War Admiral show that for once a good little horse could beat a good big horse when he poked his brown nose ahead of Pompoon's bay one, having led from end to end, though it looked as though he might be headed in the stretch at one time. Worth \$45,600 to owner-breeder Riddle, the race was run in 1.58% over a track slightly off, though immensely improved over what it was in the morning.

Never in all its long and illustrious history had Old Hilltop housed such a crowd, over 45,000 customers being on hand for the big attraction. From far and near had come the notables of all walks of life and what a thrill they got. Marylanders fared well during the running of the day's races, for besides War Admiral, who wintered at Berlin, on the Eastern Shore, Merryman Black won two races, with Mrs. Black's Hi-Jack filly, Joan Asbestos, and with Howard Buck's "Bucellas filly, a Maryland-bred, Moonpenny. Another Maryland breeder, W. Elliott, had a winner in Count Tetrarch. Incidentally, one of Maryland's most promising young stallions, Robert J. Walden's War Hero, is bred much the same way as is War Admiral, both being sons of Man o' War from daughters of the great broodmare sire, Sweep. War Hero is sire of the winner of the colt class at the Yearling Show at Pimlico, Ral Parr's bay son of Bright Luna.

## Foxcatcher National Cup

Announcement recently of the date of Saturday, September 11, for the Foxcatcher Hounds Race Meet at Fair Hill, in Cecil County, recalls that once more we shall see a determined bid on the part of that far-seeing sportsman, William du Pont, Jr., to make of his Foxcatcher National Cup a true American counterpart of England's long famed Grand National. Promoter du Pont is going about this in no half hearted fashion. First he built, with Morris Dixon's able help, a brush course in Maryland that is second to none. Then he went about making the accommodations for the visiting public as good as they could be made, while for the horsemen he put up a

powerful bait in the shape of a purse of \$3250, this to be doubled if more than twenty start. There are six money prizes and every finisher of the course is rewarded should fifteen or more start and the breeder of the winner receives an award of \$100, this, we believe, being a unique feature of an American steeplechase, and a good feature, to boot. This year again there will be another brush event and two flat races to bolster up the main attraction.

Unquestionably Maryland will be benefited considerably by the annual running of the National Cup, and the thought occurs to us that were the race to be run in May, during Preakness Week, it would be a powerful added attraction at that time. Inasmuch as 90% of the brush horses winter South nowadays and start racing at Camden in March the earlier running should work no hardship on the horses. Furthermore, were the race to be run in the spring there should be many more horses available for it as the season's racing would not have taken its toll in broken down horses as is often the case by September. To add an international flavor to the event, were it to be run in May it is not beyond possibility that English owners of 'chasers might be persuaded to ship their horses over at the close of the English season in April. At that time of the year, running fresh from the boat, horses from across the ocean would not be at a disadvantage due to the lovely Maryland spring climate. In September English 'chasers are just getting ready for their season's work. One wonders just how much of a crowd Mr. du Pont would be called upon to accommodate were he able to induce the owner of a winner of England's Grand National, run late in March, to come over for his big event. Certainly he could well afford to offer a substantial bonus for a horse that won BOTH of these great events. Then there is the added inducement of a season's racing at Belmont, Delaware Park and Saratoga to offer the sportsmen from abroad. THE MARYLAND HORSE hopes to see the day that this dream comes to pass.

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### **Humane Society Show**

On Saturday, June 19th, the Humane Society of Baltimore County will stage a Horse Show and Field Day at its new quarters on Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, north of the Old Court Road. Eight classes will be exhibited in the show proper, but the chief attraction of the day will be two exhibitions of dressage riding by America's premier rider in this phase of equitation, Major Hiram Tuttle of the United States Cavalry. Major Tuttle will ride his Thoroughbred mount, Vast, which he has developed and trained himself over a long period. At 11:00 A. M., the dressage exhibition will be especially for the youngsters, and Major Tuttle will repeat his performance at 4:00 P. M. Lunch will be served on the grounds.

The work of the Humane Society cannot be too highly commended by THE MARYLAND HORSE. The new plant is equipped with a hospital for both large and small animals which has all up-to-the-minute appliances. A Resident Veterinarian is always on hand and the hospital is open twenty-four hours a day for the reception of sick and hurt animals. An ambulance is on hand also. The Society endeavors by all possible means to instill into persons young and old the knowledge of the value of kindness in the treatment of animals of all kinds. Support of the Society in various forms is urged upon all animal lovers, and it is hoped that all who can do so will be on hand at the Pikesville Headquarters of the group on June 19.

### **Commissioner's Guest**

When the New York Racing Commission recently feted the gentlemen of the press at a dinner at which such distinguished speakers as Secretary of State Edward J. Flynn, Senator John J. Dunnigan and Nicholas Schenk, of movie fame, were heard, THE MARYLAND HORSE's New York correspondent and a Director of the Maryland Horse Breeders' Association, Vaughn Flannery, was accorded a place of honor, there being some hundred members of the Fourth Estate on hand for the festivities.

### **Advertising**

The life of a magazine is its advertising. This is a truism that is being very largely overlooked by Maryland's horsemen to whose advertising needs THE MARYLAND HORSE caters. THE MARYLAND HORSE now reaches over two thousand horsemen and women the country over, and its advertising columns offer an ideal manner for the presentation before horsemen of the goods they need in their daily work. THE MARYLAND HORSE is also an excellent medium through which sales of horses of all kinds may be effected. If you are in the market for any kind of horse advertise your needs in this magazine. We urge on all breeders who contemplate selling their products that they announce their sales and advertise them in THE MARYLAND HORSE. IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE.

# Pimlico Yearling Show

By JAMES E. FITZSIMMONS

Those who witnessed the recent yearling show of the Maryland Horse Breeders' Association at Pimlico were treated to a display of mighty fine looking young horses. The whole turnout was impressive. It reflected much credit on those members of the Association who so enthusiastically cooperated with the committee in charge and spoke volumes of praise for the producers and managers of the respective establishments from which the candidates came. There wasn't a yearling sent into the ring that could have been considered poor as far as general appearances were concerned.

The show itself was a fitting addition to a series of such events and certainly further bore out the hopes held for them by the early sponsors—namely that such shows would have great bearing on the improvement of the Thoroughbreds produced in Maryland, at least in so far as physical condition was concerned.

Frankly, when Major Stryker and the late Mr. Heiser first mentioned the proposition to me some years ago I was rather hazy as to how far shows of this kind, limited as they must be to the consideration of candidates' conformation, soundness and apparent physical condition, were going to help in determining the quality of a horse destined for racing. I had in mind that other and more vital factors which go to make for greatness in race horses must be taken into consideration before a fair appraisal could be made, such as a good heart, good lungs, and above all fighting spirit and courage—all hidden qualities which cannot be detected by observation in the show ring and for the answer to which we must blindly seek in the horse's breeding. I knew that without these factors the finest physical specimen becomes useless as a racing medium.

What I was overlooking was the psychological effect exhibitions of this type are bound to have on the personnel of the various breeding establishments. It is certainly true that when the general standard of care and attention given to the young horse on the farms is, as Major Stryker says, "pushed up ever so little" the increase in efficiency must affect all

phases of the youngster's upbringing and is bound to be reflected in his performances later on the track.

That these shows have certainly influenced for the better the standard of care given to horses belonging to members of the Association is very evident in the steady improvement year after year of the candidates that are sent to the shows.

Without detracting any from the many fine individual horses displayed in former shows, I thought this year's crop was an exceptionally fine lot on the whole. There were six or seven in each class that were so closely lapped that it was a very difficult matter to make a selection. For a time I would have given anything if the rules of the show had been elastic enough to permit me to throw a blue ribbon around several of them all at once. Then when it came to deciding the championship I was definitely stumped. It took several minutes of critical study, looking for something that could possibly help me out. It was really so close that it was only a matter of personal opinion and I favored the filly. This condition did not exist in the earlier shows. The process of elimination was rather an easy matter in the first two or three, at least until it got down to the last few yearlings. All of this indicates a trend in the right direction.

I would like to say a word of consolation to those whose horses failed to win any of the prizes. Each exhibitor had every reason to be proud of his individual entry. I think every horse entered was a credit to his owner. Then there is further consolation in the fact that the ultimate test must take place on the track, where many a great race horse has been developed that never would have taken a prize in a show ring.

In conclusion I must say that the breeders in Maryland are doing a wonderful job and they should be encouraged to the fullest by all connected with racing who are dependent on them to furnish the actors for the show.

Personally it gives me a good deal of pleasure to be of assistance to these great sports



PHOTO BY BERT CLARK THAYER

### PIMLICO YEARLING SHOW

President Hockley, in pensive mood, watches Judge James E. Fitzsimmons, on extreme left.

people in my small way and I certainly am glad of the opportunity to show my appreciation of the great good they are doing. But if the class of the candidates presented in these shows continues to improve, as all indications seem to point, I am afraid that I have just about reached the limit of my usefulness to them and that the work of judging will have to pass on into more capable hands.

### Maryland Sires' Get Win Abroad

The Maryland group responsible for the importation of the bay son of \*Teddy, \*Æthelstan, last autumn, and the patrons of \*Kantar, imported by Labrot & Co. a year earlier, are receiving news that is cheering from the French courses. The French equivalent of the Ascot Gold Cup, the Prix Cadran, two and a-half miles and worth \$10,000 was won by the four-year-old colt Fantastic, by \*Æthelstan from a daughter of \*Durbar II, which colt had previously won a good stake this year. Another

son of the big bay, the three-year-old Osman Bay, was winner of the Prix Noellie at one mile five furlongs at Le Tremblay and the same day a second season son of \*Kantar was also winner of a good race. This horse's son, Victrix, repeated his previous successes and recently won another valuable stake for his owner, Joseph E. Widener. Fantastic goes to Ascot to try his luck against Omaha and Precipitation in the Gold Cup.

### Fitting and Showing Contest

The following students at the University of Maryland were winners in the Fitting and Showing Contest of the University's Livestock Club on April 24th, and have been awarded subscriptions to THE MARYLAND HORSE by the Maryland Horse Breeders' Association:

Elmer Heubeck, Jr.  
Richard Sutton  
James Brownell  
Miss Martha Cox

Kenneth Wagaman  
William Brosius, Jr.  
James Young.

## Annual Report of Mr. C. F. Hockley as President of the Maryland Horse Breeders' Association

I am calling the meeting to order as early as possible, as I feel the importance of this Association in the State and the results which can be achieved by it are so great that I want to impose on you to the extent of taking a few minutes of your time to review the activities of the organization from its original inception to the present time.

The Maryland Horse Breeders' Association was organized in 1929 by a group of thirty-three men interested in horses. The Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws indicate a broad vision of the possibilities of horse breeding in our State. Their scope is broad indeed, and adequate provision was made in the organization for the carrying out of those possibilities stated and any others that might be added from time to time.

Summarized briefly, the activities of the Association were to be educational, promotional and protective. Under the heading of research and education are listed such aims as the fostering and preserving of Maryland traditions; the encouragement of original investigations and the providing of means of recording and publishing "every kind of information of interest to breeders of horses." The general heading of promotion included such varied aims as the promotion of the use of pure-bred sires, and assistance in procuring and making available suitable stallions and mares for the breeders of the State; the encouragement and development of the art of horsemanship in all its forms and of "all forms of sport which will increase interest or provide improvement in all things relating to the use of the horse," and the "concentration of public opinion upon questions affecting the breeding and usefulness of horses for military, pleasure and utilitarian purposes." And as for the State in general, it was planned to "provide the means of recording and publishing the natural advantages of the limestone blue-grass soils and the salubrious climate of Maryland as an ideal place for the breeding and raising of horses of all kinds." The Association's protective work was to consist chiefly in keeping in touch with current

legislation, supporting that which seemed beneficial and opposing that which seemed detrimental to the horse-breeding interests of the State. The Association has also endeavored from the beginning to improve racing conditions and opportunities for Maryland breeders.

Unfortunately the depression which followed soon after the founding of the Association prevented its activities from moving forward as aggressively as had been planned. But a firm foundation had been laid for what we believe to be a career of real usefulness and achievement. With the meeting last spring the time seemed to have come to move forward, and this your Directors have attempted to do to the best of their ability.

One of the most important of the activities of the Association from the beginning has been the registration of Maryland-bred and -foaled horses so that those entitled to receive the bonuses paid by the State would be properly certified. This work we have continued during the past year. There are now 746 Maryland-foaled horses registered with the Association. Registration files are kept at the tracks of the State during the spring and fall meetings, and I can report with a great deal of pleasure that not a single instance of complaint by the tracks of the eligibility of horses entered in Maryland-bred races this spring has come to my attention.

At the past several meetings of the membership of the Association, and particularly at the meeting last spring, an urgent desire was expressed by the members of the Association for an arrangement whereby they might qualify for special privileges at the various tracks of the State, and that members be given buttons or badges which would entitle them to admission to the grounds and club houses of the various tracks. The membership requirements then in effect, and the very nominal dues, made our membership so all-inclusive in its possibilities that it seemed impractical for the Association to attempt to secure such special privileges. It was suggested that there be two classes of members, one to include only breeders and owners who would be in a position to

expect and receive these special privileges at the tracks, and the other to include all other interested persons. This was one of the first matters entrusted to your new Board of Directors at your meeting in May of 1936, and they acted upon it as promptly as possible. A meeting of the Board was held on June 24th and a committee of three members of the Board appointed to work out the change and report to the Board. The committee's report was made to the Board on September 26th, and resolutions adopted at that time establishing the new two-class form of membership, with which you are all familiar and which went into effect on January 1st of this year.

I should like to report here on the results of the new two-class membership to date. Last May when we held our meeting there were only seventy-four persons listed as members of the Association in good standing with dues of \$5.00 per year paid up to date. At this time we have seventy-seven Breeder-Owner Members at \$10.00 a year and eighty-seven Associate Members at \$2.00 a year, all in good standing with dues paid for the year 1937. With the increased dues for Breeder-Owner Members, and the increased number of members through the inclusion of Associate Members, the improved financial position, as well as numerical strength, is easily apparent, in spite of the fact that the new system has so recently gone into effect.

Another urgent need of the Association was an official organ, without which it was practically impossible to carry forward any of the Association's purposes. We are exceptionally fortunate in having in our membership a man who is not only thoroughly familiar with all matters pertaining to horses and horsemen but also experienced as a writer on these subjects. He very generously offered his services and abilities for the establishment of such an official organ, and the result is THE MARYLAND HORSE which, although it is still less than a year old, has attracted nationwide attention and most enthusiastic comment. We are proud of our magazine and grateful to Humphrey Finney of Holly Beach Farm for all that he has done to give us such an outstanding spokesman. Unquestionably the magazine will soon be self-supporting, for a splendid mailing list is being built up and advertisers are being attracted more and more to its columns. Meanwhile the

magazine is doing more than any one thing to carry out the plans of the organizers of the Association for a program of education, promotion and protection.

Another matter brought up for immediate action at our meeting last May was the Association's desire to have a race established in memory of its first President, Mr. Charles L. A. Heiser, who had recently died. This matter was taken up at the first meeting of your Board of Directors, and a race known as the Charles L. A. Heiser Handicap, at a mile and seventy yards for three-year-olds bred or sired in Maryland, was run at Pimlico's fall meeting. The race was won by Mrs. Bosley's Snobby Scamp, and incidentally I might mention that the entry of your President ran a good last.

Last year a threat appeared against the horse-breeding interests of the State in the attempt to enforce an ancient law passed back in 1840, which had somehow escaped revision, whereby the tax on each stallion standing in the State would be made to equal the highest fee collected for him during the year. Through the efforts of your Association this law has been amended, so that the maximum tax on a stallion fee is now \$35.00. The new statute has been approved by the Attorney General and is scheduled for signing by Governor Nice on May 18th.

An even more serious threat to the horse breeding interests of the State appeared in the form of the Dog Racing Bill introduced in the State Legislature this spring. Your Association, through its officers and THE MARYLAND HORSE, and the excellent efforts of Edwin Warfield, Jr., and Captain John Slattery, Secretary of the Harford County Breeders' Association, took an active and vigorous part in the fight against this bill. In general your officers have attempted to use their best efforts and influence to prevent legislation of any character that would be inconsistent with the best interests of the breeders and owners in

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# Do Blue Ribbon Yearlings Win Races?

By HUMPHREY S. FINNEY

During the annual Yearling Show at Pimlico in May the writer was discussing with a trainer the possible value of these shows as a guide to racing ability. My trainer friend was very positive in his belief that the blue ribbon winning yearlings, that is those that were best on looks, had little racing ability. Not being at all sure of how the winners of past years had turned out I turned up the files of *The Blood-Horse*, for which valuable breeding weekly I had reported past shows, to see what had won and what I had said about them. Admittedly my records are very incomplete but in this article I shall try to go over the lists of winners and to review their racing in so far as I am able to do so.

In 1929 there was held the first of the yearling shows sponsored by the Maryland Horse Breeders' Association, at Timonium in the fall, and yearlings bred anywhere were eligible. At that show a grand looking colt was the winner—he had cost his owners, the Sagamore Stable, \$45,000 at Saratoga—named War and by Man o' War. He must be written off as a useless racing proposition, though I believe there were alibis for him. War is now at stud in California. In 1930 there was another fall show, in the Worthington Valley, and here a black colt by Rustic from Ilaria was the winner. Daisaburo by name, this colt was a useful winner for Leslie E. Keiffer and is now at stud in Massachusetts. I am unable to find anything in my records anent a show in 1931; I believe depression stopped it, but 1932 saw the spring shows of solely Maryland-foaled yearlings started at Pimlico.

In that year, with \$2,000 given in prizes, the winner of the colt class and champion was J. W. Y. Martin's Moon Glory, by Sun Flag out of Unfurled. As a racehorse Moon Glory was only fair. In second place and third were Golden Vein and Steelhead, the former a many-times winner and the latter a useful performer cursed with bad underpinning, though a winner of a number of races. A daughter of Constitution and Joaquina won

the filly class for Janon Fisher,—Bombardment by name. I do not recall this filly winning, and so far as I can discover she has shown nothing.

At the show held in 1933 James E. Fitzsimmons was the judge, he having so continued ever since, and the winner of each class was exhibited by J. W. Y. Martin. Truly Yours, by Canter from Love Girl, won the colt class, and Dancing Queen, by \*Wrack-Lope, won the filly event. The colt was champion and as a two-year-old he won four races, including the Maryland Futurity, winning again at three. Dancing Queen was a distinct flop as a racing proposition. George Brown's Braving Danger, still a frequent winner, was second to Truly Yours with another winner, Mr. Pete, by Claptrap, third. None of the three placing fillies made any mark on the track; in fact this seems to be the case with those that won ribbons more often than not.

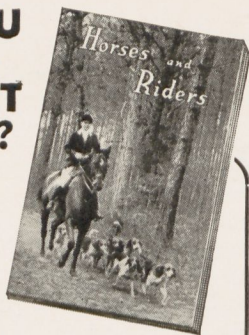
The championship in 1934 went to Black Toreador by Flying Ebony from Carmen Pantages, a Vanderbilt entry. Racing had little attraction for this lad, he having made a very ordinary showing. Second award went to Speed to Spare, by Balko out of The Spare, a good sprinter and winner of the Maryland Futurity. Wickliffe Boy was third, a very poor racing tool. In the filly class Iron Ore, a useful winner by \*Sir Greysteel out of \*Florestine, took the blue for S. W. Labrot, with another fair racing filly second in Balko's daughter Balcony.

In 1935 at the Pimlico Show the winner of the colt class and ultimate champion was Sir Mouse, a colt by \*Sir Greysteel out of Scheherazade, shown by Mrs. Dean Bedford. This colt never raced, nor was he bred with racing in mind, his owner preferring the hunting field. None of the placed horses has so far done any racing of note. In the filly class Ral Parr's Graceful Flight got the blue over a pair shown by Joe F. Flanagan which included the good winner Tryanhurry. Graceful Flight is a winner but has not lived up to expectations so far.

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In the fall of 1935 there was a Breeders' Show held with one class open to all yearlings. The winner of this was Gay Balko, a chestnut son of Balko and Gay Stella. On the tracks Gay Balko was first once, second three times and third once at two, and has done little this year. Last year at Pimlico Mrs. C. W. Williams' Doris Rene, by \*Phillippi from French Doll took first honors in the filly division and the championship and already she is a winner on the race-track and shows good promise of class. Neither of the other placed fillies has shown anything as yet, nor have any of the colts, though the winner of that division, Ral Parr's Hypocrite, has shown promise of good form. At the show last fall there were two classes; the colt class was won by A. G. Vanderbilt's Pit Bull and the same owner won the filly event with Balking, record breaking speedster.

All in all, looking over the record one is forced to the conclusion that in the majority of cases the winners of the show classes proved their worth on the race courses, particularly so among the colts. Not having complete lists of all entrants to the shows, nor full racing records, I am unable to tell how many that did not place had better racing records than the ribbon winners. From memory and personal knowledge I'll hazard the opinion that they did not do nearly as well at the job of racing as did the ribbon winners.

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In March farmers and horsemen asked Congress for an appropriation to be expended under Dr. John R. Mohler, Chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, for research into the cause of moon blindness and its method of transmission. If the appropriation is made, some research work participated in by the B. A. I. will be put under way. Admiral Cary T. Grayson, Director of the American Red Cross, was instrumental in interesting Dr. Herbert Charles Clark, Director of the Gorgas Memorial Institute. Dr. Clark, world famous for research in tropical diseases, has recently returned from Panama, and has examined animals suffering from moon blindness. He has

suggested that while the cause is yet unknown, the possibility that the disease is infectious makes it highly desirable to eliminate mice, rats, pigeons and sparrows, as all of those may be intermediate carriers and should be kept away from stables and feed. All openings in barns, used by pigeons or sparrows, should be screened to keep them out. Red squill (poison) is effective against rats and mice, shot-guns against sparrows and pigeons.

Dr. Clark's observations, and reports sent to the Association by horsemen, indicate that the disease usually affects brood mares, or other animals that have become "run down" in condition. This is in line with recent reports from Germany furnished by courtesy of Dr. D. M. Campbell, which suggest that an impoverished condition, especially from heavy internal parasitic infestation, increases the susceptibility of animals to moon blindness. Logical precautions are to clean out internal parasites and to feed the animals liberally on diversified rations, adequate in amount, quality and variety.

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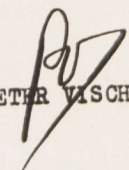
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# The Way of a Man With a Horse

By D. STERETT GITTINGS

The refusal of F. M. Gould's What Have You to leave the post, or make a try, in the recent Liverpool Grand National, in spite of the efforts of that very capable Maryland horseman and rider, "Billy" Streett, aided by the well meant encouragement of some of the bystanders, recalls an incident many years ago at Timonium with another headstrong animal by the name of Geronimo. This fellow was a big chestnut colt, foaled in 1885, bred by J. B. Haggin at his California ranch, sired by imported Glenelg, he by Citadel out of Babta, dam Bessie Peyton, by imported Hurrah, a speedy and stout strain of blood.

Tried to be above the average, Geronimo was cursed with one of the worst tempers ever seen in a Thoroughbred, which caused him to sulk, lay back his ears, and positively refuse to extend himself. After many disappointments on the big tracks, Geronimo eventually fell into the hands of that excellent horseman and fine amateur rider, "Jim" Merryman, and was installed at Hayfields, near Cockeysville, while plans were laid to "win him out." Entered at the Timonium Fair races, Geronimo was thought to be a good thing among a moderate class of horses, and would have won his first race in a canter if he had only half tried. Blinkers might have helped him, but these were practically unknown at the time, so his owner determined to employ a novel method of persuasion on his next outing.

The race, as I recollect it, was at a mile, and

several of Jim's friends were stationed at intervals of a hundred yards or so around the track, each one armed with clods of adhesive clay for which the district, and the track especially, was noted. These mud pellets were of just the right consistency, after an opportune morning shower, and the accuracy with which they were propelled by the hefty youths strung along the oval would have done no discredit to "Bob" Feller, "Dizzy" Dean, or any of the great League pitchers of the present day. The astonishment of old Geronimo as the vicious volleys struck him, and the way he scurried away to dodge them, can better be imagined than described, and before he could recover from one hit he encountered another, running like Tam O'Shanter, as if Beelzebub was after him. It was really the funniest thing I ever saw on a race track. After such a terrific barrage he naturally landed a winner, and as there was no protest, the saliva test and rules against artificial stimulants not being in force, the boys were well rewarded for their efforts, the odds being very juicy, while "Jim" Merryman came in for a well deserved share of applause.

The old horse did not do much afterwards, and the last time I saw him was alongside the big Hayfields brick barn, chewing a straw, with one eye turned towards Timonium, probably recalling the day he was "gone with the wind," with a tattoo of mud balls on his flank and amid war whoops that would have done no discredit to the wily Apache chief after whom he was named.

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During the month of April, 36 Maryland-bred horses, the get of 21 sires, won 48 races. The leading stallion was the dead \*Sir Greysteel, who had six winners of seven races to his credit. \*Challenger II, with four winners of as many races, was in second place. Far in the lead among the breeders is the late S. W. Labrot, with seven winners of eleven races listed to the credit of the Holly Beach Stud.

- (2) ACAUTAW, br.g., Trojan—The Squaw, by Jim Gaffney. H. Bruce.  
 ACTRESS, b.f., Theatrical—Little Susie, by \*Woodstone. Mrs. J. A. Ball.  
 BALKAN LAND, ch.g., Balko—Trapland, by Trap Rock. A. G. Vanderbilt.  
 BALLY BAY, ch.g., Happy Time—\*Martre II, by Marten. J. E. Washburn.  
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 †BROWN TWIG, b.h., Brown Bud—\*Zenobia II, by \*Durbar II. Mrs. R. H. Heighe.  
 CHALPHONE, b.c., \*Challenger II—Phenomenon, by Scotch Broom. M. J. Diamond.

- CITY SLICKER, gr.h., Rock Man—Shepherdess, by \*Royal Canopy. Sagamore Stable.  
 (3) COLOR BEARER, ch.g., High Time—Pinkie, by Delhi. S. W. Labrot.  
 †DAMASCENE, rn.g., \*Sir Greysteel—Peeping Star, by Sir Martin. S. W. Labrot.  
 DROOP, ch.f., Balko—Sag Rock, by Rock Man. A. G. Vanderbilt.  
 DUNNAMANY, ch.c., Trojan—Gallia, by \*Sir Gallahad III. G. L. Stryker.  
 GAUL, ch.c., Belli Casus—Gauzy Lady, by Bunting. Mrs. H. S. Raskob.  
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 GRACEFUL FLIGHT, br.f., Flying Ebony—Her Grace, by \*Bright Knight. R. Parr.  
 GRAMERCY, br.f., \*Sir Greysteel—\*White Glade, by White Eagle. S. W. Labrot.  
 HAPPY HOSTESS, ch.f., Happy Time—Princess K., by His Majesty. J. E. Simmons.  
 †(3) ILCHESTER, ch.g., Dunlin—Effort, by Pennant. H. Bruce.  
 IRONBOUND, ch.g., \*Sir Greysteel—Toyshef, by Fair Play. S. W. Labrot.  
 JOURNEY ON, br.c., \*Challenger II—Elopement, by High Noon. Branncastle Farm.  
 LADY MARYLAND, gr.f., \*Sir Greysteel—Palestra, by Prince Palatine. Mrs. H. S. Raskob.  
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THE REW, b.g., \*Challenger II—Florence Kranz, by Bunting. Branncastle Farm.

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In May there were 71 Maryland-bred winners of 91 races, Canter taking the lead as a sire, with five winners of six races, closely followed by Trojan, with five winners of five races, \*Challenger II, with four winners of six races, Happy Time, with four winners of five races, Balko, with three winners of five races, and Rustic, with two winners of five races. In all 43 sires are represented on this month's list.

Among the breeders, Leslie E. Keiffer leads, with seven winners of nine races. Morris & Walden are the breeders of four winners of nine races, the Labrots of six winners of eight races, Branncastle Farm of four winners of seven races, and Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt of four winners of six races.

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(2) BALCONY, blk.f., 4, Balko—Bodega, by Coventry. A. G. Vanderbilt.

(2) BALLY BAY, ch.g., 7, Happy Time—Martre II, by Marten. J. E. Washburn.

BANDERNAPCH, ch.f., 3, Canter—Grace Darling, by Golden Broom. J. Fisher, Jr.

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### Labrot Juvenile Sale

At Belmont Park on May 22 thirteen two-year-olds ready for racing were sold by the Fasig-Tipton Company for the account of Labrot & Company of Holly Beach Farm. Thirteen head were sold this time, seven of them colts, six fillies. Total amount of the sale was \$23,300, an average price of \$1792. Top price was Wing and Wing, handsome bay son of the dead \*Sir Greysteel and La Rabinalda by General Lee. The average was approximately \$600 higher than was obtained by the Labrots for their 1936 consignment. Appended is a summary of the sale.

|                                                                              |                   |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------|
| Wing and Wing, b c 2, by *Sir Greysteel—La Rabinalda, by General Lee.....    | Cleveland Putnam  | 3,500 |
| Bold Stroke, rn c, 2, by *Sir Greysteel—Silver Clasp, by Sir Martin.....     | J. E. Ryan        | 3,200 |
| Stampede, gr c, 2, by *Sir Greysteel—Five Oaks, by *Stefan the Great.....    | Mrs. G. H. Eustis | 3,100 |
| Motilla, ch c, 2, by *Sir Greysteel—Karma, by *North Star III.....           | P. A. Shaw        | 2,300 |
| Running Free, b c 2, by Happy Time—Medlor, by Superman.....                  | J. Whyte          | 2,000 |
| Dinosaur, gr c, by *Sir Greysteel—Dinah Did Upset, by Upset.....             | Cleveland Putnam  | 1,800 |
| Stitch in Time, rn f, 2, by *Sir Greysteel—Emergency Aid, by Man o' War..... | A. Schuttinger    | 1,700 |

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| Passé Partout, rn f, 2, by *Sir Greysteel—Mary<br>Hume, by Sporting Blood..... | G. R. Bryson | 1,050 |
| Steel Flower, ch f, 2, by *Sir Greysteel—*Miss<br>White, by Cicero.....        | R. V. Boyle  | 800   |
| Happy Tidings, rn f, 2, by Happy Time—Tucka-<br>hoe, by *Sir Greysteel.....    | J. Myron     | 700   |
| Steel Jacket, b c, 2, by *Sir Greysteel—Reigh Shot,<br>by *Sunreigh.....       | A. McDonald  | 700   |

## Auction Sale at Pimlico

At a sale of horses in training in the Pimlico paddock on May 13th, most of the offerings were those of Mrs. M. Nelson Bond. Seventeen head sold for a total of \$15,185, the average being \$893.24. Highest price of the sale was paid for the two-year-old Time Maker colt, Hunting Home, which was taken by Preston M. Burch for \$5,100. The summary follows:

### Property of Mrs. M. Nelson Bond

|                                                                                |                  |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Hunting Home, ch c, 2, by Time Maker—Red<br>Hat, by Chatterton.....            | Preston M. Burch | \$5,100 |
| Setemup, dk b c, 2, by Kapitollight—Dominast, by<br>Dominant.....              | A. Kolseth       | 1,450   |
| Castabout, ch f, 2, by Belli Casus—Betti Bout, by<br>*Jusqu'au Bout.....       | L. G. Funk       | 600     |
| Dancing Diana, ch f, 2, by Belli Casus—Gauzy<br>Lady, by Bunting.....          | C. B. Sturm      | 300     |
| Queen Elizabeth, b f, 4, by Victorian—Persever-<br>ance, by *Mont d'Or II..... | H. Bartley       | 675     |
| Lady Penny, br f, 3, by Pennywise—Lady Fair,<br>by *Mackenzie II.....          | D. Tutor         | 275     |
| Small Change, b g, 7, by Aromatic—Petty Cash,<br>by The Finn.....              | L. G. Funk       | 1,300   |
| Flying Carpet, b c, 4, by Flying Ebony—Mone-<br>tary, by Cataract.....         | F. Whitley       | 100     |
| Pencader, br g, 8, by Chilhowee—Nyasa, by<br>*Tchad.....                       | C. J. Eisenhardt | 1,450   |
| Shanteb, br g, 3, by Flying Ebony—Shanty, by<br>*Hourless.....                 | L. G. Funk       | 650     |

### Property of G. Chrestos

|                                                                     |              |     |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----|
| Skippping Girl, ch f, 4, by London Rock—Haf,<br>by Star Master..... | H. W. Morgan | 100 |
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### Property of Howard Bruce

|                                                                  |           |     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| La Loutre, lt b f, 2, by Flying Ebony—Anna Mac,<br>by Uncle..... | J. Martin | 850 |
| Flying Feet, b f, 3, by Flying Ebony—Anna Mac,<br>by Uncle.....  | J. Martin | 700 |

### Property of Mrs. J. Clayton

|                                                                       |           |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Famous Clayton, dk br g, 5, by Boo—Miss Wood-<br>brook, by Bulse..... | R. Jerome | 125 |
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### Property of C. A. Gordon

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----|
| Majority Rule, ch c, 4, by Pompey—Ratification,<br>by *Polymelian..... | C. B. Sturm | 510 |
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### Property of A. G. Vanderbilt

|                                                               |             |     |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----|
| Dawn Light, ch c, 2, by Sting—Grey Light, by<br>*Vulcain..... | C. B. Asher | 500 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----|

Incendiary, ch g, 2, by Sting—Fire Sprite, by  
\*Vulcain ..... J. C. Rivella 500

## MOON BLINDNESS STUDIES BEGIN

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well fertilized land and the more different kinds of grasses there are in pasture the better. It is well also to obtain a 50-pound block of iodized salt, colored red with oxide of iron, which can be ordered through any grocer. Put it in the pasture where the horses can have access to it every day. The price is nominal, less than a dollar. It contains, in addition to iodine, small amounts of iron and a trace of copper in the iron oxide used to color the salt. All three of these elements are important in blood formation.

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The period during which an eye may be clouded, apparently blind, lasts all the way from 7 up to 99 days, although they usually clear up in less than 10 days. If it is moon blindness, the attacks will recur at irregular intervals. A month, two months or even six months may elapse between attacks. In some cases as much as a year has been known to intervene between attacks of moon blindness. Therefore, if you have an attack of moon blindness among your horses, it will pay to immediately adopt the methods outlined herein and continue them. There is a fair chance that the eyes of affected animals will clear up and remain clear thereafter.

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**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
MARYLAND HORSE BREEDERS' ASSN.**

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this State. Mr. Finney has given an interesting account of the state legislation affecting horsemen in the May issue of *THE MARYLAND HORSE*.

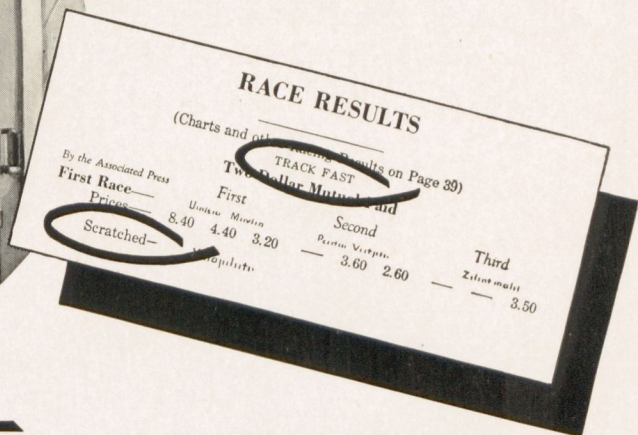
Early in the year Mr. Finney was appointed as a committee of one to work out some method whereby the Association might cooperate to the fullest extent with the University of Maryland and make the University's facilities available as far as possible to our members. His efforts have met with splendid success. Last fall at the request of the University individual members of our Association raised a fund for the acquisition of an old "Kentucky-Morgan" mare which had a very interesting history, with many supporting documents, and the mounting of the mare's skeleton for the University's instruction collection. Members of the staff of the University have been most friendly and cooperative all through the year, have contributed very excellent articles to our magazine, and have added three enthusiastic Associate Members to our roll. We hope soon to be able to announce an even more important and valuable contribution to the horse breeding interests of the State in the development of a blood test for pregnancy in mares, whereby an accurate and correct diagnosis can be had at forty-five days. Every breeder will be able to recognize at once the value of such a test. Considerable experimental work has already been done through the cooperation of Holly Beach Farm with the Livestock Sanitary Board and the State Veterinarian, Dr. Mark Welsh, and the preliminary results have been so remarkably accurate and have attracted so much attention that already out-of-State

breeders are inquiring as to whether they can avail themselves of this service, which for the present, however, is to be available only to residents of Maryland.

Other activities of your organization have included the sponsoring of breeding classes in horse shows and the interesting of breeders of types of horses other than Thoroughbreds, a number of whom have already become members of our Association.

There are, of course, many more things to be accomplished. I am absolutely convinced that Thoroughbred breeding in Maryland can be placed on just as important and high a plane as that on which it rests in any other state in the Union. I am satisfied that if we work along the lines laid down in the Articles of Incorporation and along the lines which we have been following during the past year racing conditions in general, and for Maryland-breds in particular, can be greatly improved from year to year, and that Maryland can become even more outstanding in racing in the future than it has been in the past, through the activities of your Association. I am sure that *THE MARYLAND HORSE* can be developed into an organ of great value to the breeders of all kinds of horses in the State and can be a powerful instrument for the improvement of the breeding and racing industry in our State. I would most urgently request that the membership of this Association support their future Directors and officers in every way possible to carry out the aims and ambitions which have been so successfully launched to date. Your Directors and officers have worked diligently during the past year with no thought of compensation or personal gain of any kind, and I would like to see all the members show the same spirit toward increasing the membership and the activities of your Association by each one's constituting himself a member of a great Membership Committee to see that not only all breeders and owners in the State become members of our Association, but that the Associate Membership be enlarged by explaining to everyone interested in horses in general or in particular, as well as in racing, the advantages of becoming members of an Association which I feel is destined to grow into one of the most important organizations of the State. I thank you.

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